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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Los Angeles – Two People Detained as 'Security Incident' Prompts Evacuations at LAX

(U) Two people were detained at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) after police responded to reports of a person with a firearm Thursday night, prompting hundreds of travelers to evacuate out of the terminal. According to LAX, the report was made at around 7:30 p.m. about a person with a firearm in Terminal 1. Police rushed to the scene and detained two people. The airport said no shots were fired and no weapons were recovered. One suspect detained by police was seen sitting on the curb in front of the terminal. He was not wearing shoes and his belongings were laid on the street. About 300 passengers evacuated from the terminal onto the airfield. The FAA issued a full ground stop for more than an hour.

SOURCE: 28 October 2021, [KABC](#)

(U) Modesto – Arrests Made During Compliance Check of Sex Offenders in Stanislaus County

(U) A one-day operation named “Operation Candyman” was recently conducted to check the compliance of registered sex offenders, said the Stanislaus County Sheriff’s Department. The operation involved checking up on 33 previously convicted and registered sex offenders to ensure that they were not reoffending or violating any additional laws. The aim of these compliance checks was to ensure the safety of the community, especially children, with the impending Halloween holiday and the return of trick-or-treating this year. Throughout the operation, deputies made 12 total arrests, involving four seized firearms, one confiscated Taser, and one confiscation of a sword.

SOURCE: 28 October 2021, [CBS 13](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Columbia – DOJ Reaches Settlement with Families of 2015 Charleston Church Shooting

(U) Washington – The Justice Department agreed yesterday to settle a series of lawsuits filed by survivors and families of the victims of 2015’s deadly church shooting in Charleston, South Carolina. Nine people were killed when 21-year-old white supremacist, Dylann Roof, entered Mother Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church during Bible study and began firing a handgun. He later confessed, saying he acted in hopes of igniting a race war. The families sued after the FBI revealed that its system for conducting background checks failed to catch a fact that should have blocked the sale of the gun Roof used in the shooting. He bought the Glock 41 two-months earlier at a mall in West Columbia.

SOURCE: 28 October 2021, [NBC News](#)

(U) Florida – Seven Arrested, \$750K Seized in Bust Involving 12 Massage Parlors

(U) Tampa – Detectives arrested seven people, seized \$750,000 in cash and luxury vehicles, and broke up a prostitution ring operating from at least 12 local massage parlors, Hillsborough County Sheriff Chad Chronister said. The investigation involved four Tampa Bay law enforcement agencies and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Chronister said at a news conference yesterday. The operation began in September 2020 and ended Wednesday after search warrants were served at all 12 locations.

SOURCE: 28 October 2021, [Tampa Bay Times](#)

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(U) Maine – Law Enforcement Officers Investigated for Allegedly Aiding Illegal Marijuana Operation

(U) Augusta – Two sheriff's deputies allegedly accepted new cars and an ownership stake in an operation that illegally sold more than \$13 million in pot grown for the state's medical marijuana program, federal prosecutors said. Two other law enforcement officers and a prosecutor aided the operation by providing intelligence and tipping off participants, prosecutors said. Federal documents unsealed Wednesday when one of the defendants pleaded guilty revealed an elaborate program in which marijuana that was supposedly grown for registered caregivers was sold outside the program with profits being laundered through a corporate structure.

SOURCE: 28 October 2021, [Associated Press](#)

(U) Ohio – Russian Extradited to US to Face Cybercrime Charges

(U) Cleveland – A Russian national appeared in US federal court yesterday after he was extradited from South Korea to Ohio to face charges for his alleged role in a cybercriminal organization. Vladimir Dunaev, 38, was a member of a cybercriminal organization that deployed a computer banking trojan and ransomware suite of malware known as "Trickbot," the US Justice Department said. "Trickbot attacked businesses and victims across the globe and infected millions of computers for theft and ransom, including networks of schools, banks, municipal governments, and companies in the health care, energy, and agriculture sectors," according to Deputy US Attorney General Lisa Monaco.

SOURCE: 28 October 2021, [Reuters](#)

(U) Wyoming – Troopers Make Largest Meth Seizure in State History

(U) Evanston – The Wyoming Highway Patrol seized 601-pounds of methamphetamine and 108-pounds of cocaine, worth more than \$3 million, in a traffic stop on Interstate 80 near Evanston on Sunday. It is the largest amount of meth seized at once in Wyoming history, according to the Drug Enforcement Administration. During a traffic stop, court filings state a drug dog alerted troopers to substances in a car's backseat, where there were eight "large black duffel bags" with 142 plastic bags and 32 plastic tubs of methamphetamine. The 601.2-pounds are worth more than \$2 million based on meth's current street value. Troopers also reportedly found 40 bricks of cocaine in cardboard boxes, totaling 49,290 grams. That amounts to approximately \$1 million worth of narcotics.

SOURCE: 27 October 2021, [Casper Star Tribune](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Laos – Police Seize Record Drug Haul in Golden Triangle

(U) Vientiane – Lao police have seized a record haul of illicit drugs in the Golden Triangle region, two security sources in Thailand confirmed yesterday, in what the United Nations said was Asia's largest single drug bust ever. More than 55 million methamphetamine tablets and over 1.5-tons of crystal methamphetamine were intercepted by Laos police on Wednesday, who stopped a truck carrying beer crates in northern Bokeo, which borders Thailand and Myanmar. Jeremy Douglas, Southeast Asia regional representative for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) said the discovery was "by far the largest seizure in the history of East and Southeast Asia."

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